



Compost



**Food scraps, pizza boxes,
plants & trimmings,
branches under 4"x36"**



**No pet waste, to-go containers,
liquids, garbage**



Glass



**Bottles & jars only, empty &
dry, put in glass-only bin**



**No lids, lightbulbs, caps, ceramics,
broken glass**



Garbage



**All garbage, including
plastic bags, to-go
containers, lids & packaging**



**No TVs, computers, batteries, hazardous
waste (flammables, paint, pesticides)**





Motor Oil



Must be put in a leak-proof clear plastic jug with screw-top lid and placed next to bins.



Batteries

**Small household batteries.
Must fit in a sealed 1-quart bag.**



- 1. Tape ends of batteries, except alkaline.**
- 2. Put in 1-quart clear zip-sealed bag.**
- 3. Place bag on top of glass bin.**



**Find a full list of what's
allowed in each bin at
www.portland.gov/recycle**

Can't fit it in your bin? Extra bags of garbage, yard waste, and holiday trees can be set out for an extra charge. Extra cardboard must be flattened, bundled, taped together, and set next to your recycling bin (no extra charge).

! Other items

These things should not go in your garbage or recycling bins.

Large items, including mattresses and furniture; ask your garbage company or find donation options: 503-234-3000



TVs, computers, monitors, printers, keyboards, mice & other electronics: oregonecycles.org



Hazardous waste, chemicals, propane tanks & flammable items: oregonmetro.gov/findarecycler



Fluorescent light bulbs, batteries & things with batteries in them: oregonmetro.gov/findarecycler



Medications, leftover or expired: ordeq.org/drugtakeback



Not sure about an item?

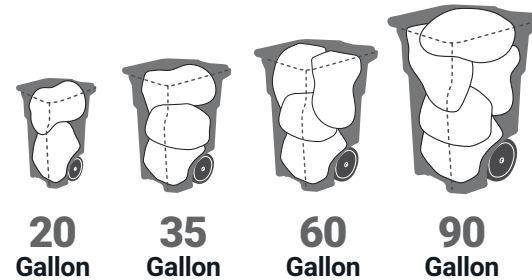
Go to oregonmetro.gov/findarecycler or ask an expert at 503-234-3000.

i More information

Garbage is picked up every other week. Recycling and compost are picked up weekly.

Find your schedule. Sign up for weekly reminders and get a custom calendar at www.portland.gov/garbageday

Choose your bin size. Your bill is based on garbage bin size. You can change your bin size at any time. Find sizes and costs at www.portland.gov/garbage-rates



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311 | www.portland.gov/bps/accommodation

📞 Who to contact

Garbage company

Missed pickups, billing questions, change your bin size, schedule large item pickup. Look up your garbage company at:


 www.portland.gov/garbageday

City of Portland

Issues with your garbage company. Your landlord isn't paying for or providing enough garbage service.

 wasteinfo@portlandoregon.gov

 www.portland.gov/recycle-at-home

 503-823-7202

Metro

How to recycle, dispose of, or donate items not allowed in curbside bins.

 www.oregonmetro.gov/askmetro

 503-234-3000

Thank you for recycling right!

Following the guidelines of what is (and isn't) allowed in your recycling bin saves natural resources, reduces pollution, and creates jobs.

Residential Garbage & Recycling



Sorting guide inside



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Thanks for recycling these items!

All items must be empty and dry.

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Find a full guide at
[Portland.gov/Recycle](https://portland.gov/Recycle)



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Plastic



Bottles, tubs, buckets, and rigid plant pots
Caps OK if screwed on.
All items must be 2x2 inches or larger.

Metal



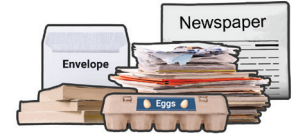
Metal cans, foil, scrap metal, and empty aerosols and paint cans
Aerosol cans must be completely empty.

Cardboard



Flattened cardboard, packaging boxes, food and beverage cartons
Pizza boxes must be empty with no food residue.

Paper



Newspaper, magazines, office paper, egg cartons, mail, paperback books, bags, and non-metallic gift wrap

Glass



Bottles and jars
Remove caps and lids.
Put in glass-only bin.

No!



No bagged recyclables



No plastic bags or stretchy plastics
(store drop-off)



No electronics
(use Oregon E-Cycles)



No hoses, cords, or wires

These things should **never go in your recycling bin** because they jam equipment, hurt workers, and make it harder to recycle the good stuff. Take plastic bags, electronics, and hazardous waste to a drop-off site: [Oregonmetro.gov/FindARecycler](https://oregonmetro.gov/FindARecycler)

 **RecycleOn**
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Reduce and reuse before you recycle

You might be surprised by what you can borrow or fix for free!

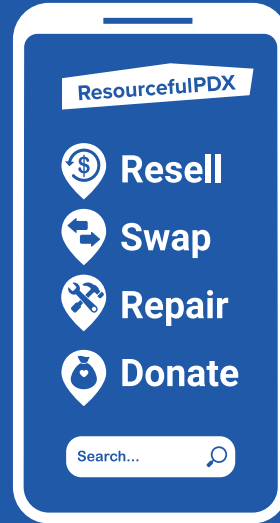
Borrow tools from a neighborhood tool library or fix a broken lamp or torn sweater at a free repair event.

Visit Resourceful PDX to find nearby places to borrow tools, repair your stuff, shop secondhand, and donate what you no longer need.

Each time you reuse, share, or repair something instead of tossing it, you save energy, protect natural resources, and reduce pollution from manufacturing and shipping.



Find tools to save money and cut clutter at
Portland.gov/ResourcefulPDX



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Questions? | ¿Preguntas? Вопросы? Thắc Mắc? 有问题?

Find answers to garbage and recycling questions:

-  - [Portland.gov/Garbage-Recycle](https://portland.gov/Garbage-Recycle)
-  - WasteInfo@PortlandOregon.gov
-  - 503-823-7202



All apartment buildings and businesses must have recycling and glass bins. If your building is missing bins or if bins often overflow, contact us for help.



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